



COMMENT OF THE DAY

Oil Agreement At Last

RELATIONS between Persia and the Western world, and political conditions inside the country, have so greatly improved in the past year that the oil agreement ratified last week had come to be regarded as a matter of course. It marks a milestone well along the road to sanity and stability rather than the beginning of it. When in October, 1951, the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company was driven out of Abadan, British prestige throughout the Middle East suffered a severe blow. The immediate shock was of physical and financial loss. The great refinery, representing some £550 million of British capital was abandoned. Even worse, a major source of sterling oil was cut off. It was only later that the ulterior consequences, not to Britain alone, but to the security of the whole free world began to be realised. Persia lost, at a single stroke, one-third of her total revenue, but the power and influence of the crazed Dr. Mossadeq, who had brought this about, seemed unshaken. In fact the Premier exulted amid the ruin. Behind him exulted, with better reason, the Communists.

It appeared inevitable that a ruined Persia would become a Red Persia. As this prospect grew more menacing the economic consequences of the loss of Abadan to the outside world began to fade. Deprivation of the refinery put no brake on the Anglo-Iranian enterprise. Expanding production from the neighbouring fields in Kuwait, Iraq and Saudi Arabia soon made good the loss of Abadan oil, and has now filled the gap three times over. The world no longer needed Persian oil—but Persia's need to sell it was dire. To sell Persia on her feet in the interests of world security thus became the dominant aim of Western policy. For Britain it transcended, though, of course, it could not affect, her rightful claim to compensation for Persia's breach of the oil agreement and the seizure of the refinery. With American co-operation these two purposes have been patiently pursued, in proper perspective, since the overthrow of Dr. Mossadeq a year ago made it possible to contemplate any dealings with Persia. The United States furnished the emergency aid on which the country still subsists.

BRITAIN'S contribution to the rescue operation has been to make concessions which would enable a sensible Persian Government to sign an agreement. It would be disingenuous to pretend that these concessions are not regrettable, both financially and from the more important standpoint of prestige. The monetary recompense to be received by Anglo-Iranian, when every pound has been squeezed out of it, remains such that the company must announce it on a note of apology and excuse. Anglo-Iranian's sole right to the exploitation of Persian oil is ceded to an international consortium in which Britain will have less than a half share. For an agreement which had 39 years to run is substituted a far less favourable one, with an initial term of only 25 years, with future hurdles to negotiate if it is to be extended for a further 15. These terms can be justified only in the perspective of wider aims and hopes. A Persia politically stable and economically prosperous must be an asset to the free world, and may well become an active ally.

PLANE DOWN IN SEA: 42 MISSING

Wide Air-Sea Search Of Atlantic Ocean Ordered U.S. Servicemen On Board

Ike's Election Stunt 'Sweeping U.S.'
Washington, Oct. 31. The Republican National Chairman, Mr. Leonard W. Hall, said today President Eisenhower's "10 times 10" telephone campaign to win votes for the party on Tuesday "is sweeping the country."
He said members of the President's cabinet, Governors, Legislators and "Americans in every walk of life" have joined in the novel campaign started by Mr. Eisenhower on Saturday to elect a Republican-controlled Congress.
The President telephoned 10 of his supporters in various parts of the country and asked them to call 10 more people urging them to go to the polls and vote Republican.
The Democratic National Chairman, Mr. Stephen A. Mitchell, countered by telegraphing party leaders and candidates to start a "Democratic walkathon."
He asked them to "walk to the homes of 10 people" urging election of a Democratic Congress.
Mr. Hall sent telegrams to all GOP State Chairmen urging them to get behind Mr. Eisenhower's plan. He told them in "could well bring the big vote we need for victory."
Mr. Hall reported that Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York did better than asked. He called 11 people. Others joining in the campaign were Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, and Postmaster General Mr. Arthur E. Summerfield.—United Press.

Democrats Still Tipped To Win

Washington, Oct. 31. Congressional pollsters still say the Democrats will win control of both houses of Congress on Tuesday when the United States goes to the polls.
But at the last moment there is the usual tendency to qualify predictions with nervous remarks to the possibility that they may be upset by the Republican Party's intense last-minute effort.

President Eisenhower has just completed a 1,500-mile tour of marginal states in an attempt to secure for his hard-pressed party the necessary votes to retain command of the Senate and the House of Representatives for the next two years until the Presidential elections.
On Tuesday, all 435 seats in the House of Representatives and 37 of the Senate's 96 seats are at stake. House members are elected for two-year terms, Senators for six years. At least one-third of the Senate, or 32 seats, come up for election every two years. This year, deaths and resignations have raised the Senate total to 37 under contest.
CLOSE DIVISION
The party division in Congress is so close now that the Democrats need to gain only a few more seats in the Senate and the House to take over control.
The present Congressional line-up is: Senate: 49 Republicans, 40 Democrats, one Independent. House: 218 Republicans, 212 Democrats, one Independent, four vacancies.
Congressional control: Senate, Democrats must win 50 of 92 contested seats. Republicans can keep control by winning 14. (Six Democrats have no opposition.) House: 218 seats needed to control. (Only two Republicans are unopposed. 71 Democrats unopposed and others, notably in the South, face only token opposition.)—Reuter & United Press.

New York, Oct. 31. A U.S. Navy Constellation carrying 42 officers and men is missing and presumed lost in the Atlantic Ocean. A huge air-sea rescue operation was ordered by the Navy to search for survivors.
Navy and Coast Guard planes and ships, including aircraft carriers, were assigned to search for the plane which was last heard at 0400 GMT today at a position some 400 miles East of Baltimore. It was on a routine flight from the Patuxent, Maryland, Naval Air Station to the Azores.
The Navy said the Constellation had only enough fuel to enable it to remain in the air until 1500 GMT today.

Plea To Pope For Body Of Mussolini

Rome, Oct. 31. The daughter of Benito Mussolini is planning to appeal to Pope Pius XII for help in her efforts to get her father's body back from the Italian Government, the Rome newspaper, Il Tempo, said today.
The newspaper said, Countess Edda Clano, daughter of the late dictator and widow of the late Fascist Foreign Minister Galeazzo Clano, intended to submit her plea to the Pope "in the next few days."
It quoted Mussolini's son Romano as telling friends: "My sister Edda will go to see his Holiness Pius XII in the next few days."
"My sister will ask him, as the head of the church, to intervene so that an end may be put to the sad odyssey of a family which doesn't even know where to take a flower and shed tears."

CLOSE SECRET
The whereabouts of Mussolini's body has been one of the most closely guarded secrets in Italy for eight years.
After the execution of the dictator by partisans in Northern Italy in April, 1945, the body was taken to Milan and strung up by the heels at a gasoline station before being buried in an unmarked grave at Milan's Musocco Cemetery.
On the night of April 22-23, 1946, the body was stolen by four Neo-Fascist fanatics. Police recovered the body eight months later, hidden in a Milan monastery.
Since then, its whereabouts have been a State secret. Only a handful of Government leaders and police officials are believed to know the exact spot where it was re-buried.—United Press.

High Honour For The Queen Mother

New York, Oct. 31. The Queen Mother was tonight given the place of honour in a solemn procession of 48 distinguished international figures who received honorary degrees today from Columbia University.
In the audience were representatives of over 100 foreign universities, scientific academies and learned societies from as far away as Tokyo and Moscow.
The Queen Mother accepted the degree of Doctor of Laws from Dr. Gyorgy Kise, President of the University, and donned the purple hood of the degree, while 6,000 guests looked on in the New York cathedral, of St. John the Divine.
A NOBLE QUEEN
She was described as "a noble Queen... a gifted musician, accomplished linguist and understanding student of the Arts."
The procession included Adlai Stevenson, the Chief Justice, Mr. Earl Warren, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, West German Chancellor, Dr. Dag Hammarskjöld, Secretary General of the United Nations, three Nobel Prize winners and several distinguished English educators.
The Queen Mother's current visit to America resulted from an invitation last winter to take part in the ceremonies which Columbia University planned for the 200th anniversary of the signing of the Charter by King George III of Great Britain.—Reuter & United Press.

New Picture Of The Queen



A striking, new picture of the Queen, photographed as she arrived at the Tivoli Theatre last week to attend the Royal Gala premiere of "Neapolitan Fantasy" which marked the opening of the Italian Film Festival in London.—Central Press Photo.

Government Orders Probe SECRETS OF R.A.F.'s LATEST JET FIGHTERS LEAK OUT

London, Oct. 31. An immediate official probe has been ordered into the publication of an ace test pilot's book which security men allege reveals secrets about Britain's latest fighters.
The book, "Mach 1" written by Lieutenant Commander Mike Lithgow, 34-year-old test pilot, was published last week.
Lithgow tests planes for Vickers Armstrong, British aircraft manufacturers which made the supersonic swept-wing Swift and a hush hush all-weather naval plane, S25, which burst through the sound barrier at almost level flight this year.
Not Catastrophe
The investigation will be carried out by Ministry of Supply officials working in co-operation with the Air Ministry and the Admiralty. It is understood the details of "Mach 1"—the official term for the speed of sound—do not constitute a major leakage. In official circles there is no question of a "security catastrophe" being caused by the book.
No Request Made
A Ministry of Supply official said "no request was made to us or to the security authorities of the services concerned either by the author or his employers for permission to publish material on a classified subject in the book."
"The book has had a rapid examination and it has been found that certain information in respect of military aircraft is included in it."
"As the book has already been distributed at home and overseas for sale, no useful purpose would have been served by seeking to postpone publication."—China Mail Special.

'Let's Compromise On Two Systems'

Russia's New Idea For All German Elections

Berlin, Oct. 31. Russia will accept a compromise between Western style "free for all" elections and the Soviet "single list" method if a new four-power conference re-examines the idea of all-German elections, it was stated authoritatively in East Berlin today.

In a statement prominently published in the Communist newspaper, Neues Deutschland, the official East German "Committee for German Unity" asked:
"Who has ever claimed that the electoral system of one or the other party of Germany must be applied to the conduct of all German elections?"
Allied officials in West Berlin regarded the Committee's statement as a "kiss" to test Western reaction to a concrete proposal from Russia, which they expected very soon.
NOT FREE ELECTIONS
They said it was an attempt to attract genuine attention in France and Germany, following the poor reception given there to the previous Russian offer, notably the Soviet note of October 23, asking for a four-power conference on Europe and German reunification.
The Committee's statement said Russia could not accept the kind of elections which, in West Germany last September, swept Dr. Konrad Adenauer back to power, with an increased majority.
But it admitted that the Soviet side did not expect the West to agree to the kind of election which, in East Germany, a fortnight ago, returned the single list Parliament, presided by the Communists.
TWO QUESTIONS
"Who can see any demand in the Soviet proposals (of October 23) that the electoral law of the (East) German Democratic Republic must be adopted for all-German elections?" it asked.
The Committee said the outstanding points of dispute were: Who is to supervise the poll and how is to be conducted?
Both could be solved at a four-power conference, now that the Geneva conference had shown the way and the European Army project was dead, it said.—Reuter.

Four U.S.N. Ships In Collisions

Norfolk, Virginia, Oct. 31. Four U.S. Navy ships were involved in collisions at sea off the Virginia Cape early today, but no injuries were reported.
The Navy said the first collision occurred when the destroyer USS Morris of Newport, Rhode Island, rammed the submarine USS Buggall of New London, Connecticut. The accident occurred 270 miles east of Norfolk during an underwater assault defence drill.
Later two destroyers—the USS W.L. Lynd and the USS English—collided about 40 miles south of the first accident scene. All the damaged ships are making for port under their own power and none is in danger, the Navy said.—United Press.

5 Killed In Smash

Tunis, Oct. 31. Five men were killed and more than 20 seriously hurt when an Army ferry loaded with parachutists overturned on a frontier road near Souk Ahras today.—Reuter.

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'WE'RE STILL ENGAGED' SAYS BRANDO'S GIRL FRIEND

Paris, Oct. 31. Josanne Berenger, pretty French fiancée of Marlon Brando, arrived in Paris tonight wearing no engagement ring but saying that the actor had promised to meet her in the United States next week.
The ring was in her handbag, she said.
Her husky Hollywood sweetheart drove off unexpectedly in a hired car, leaving her weeping at the window of her home in Bandol on the Mediterranean.
The dark-haired 20-year-old fisherman's daughter appeared bewildered by the publicity brought on by her surprise engagement. She has gone into hiding with friends here.
SEE POSES
Josanne said Marlon had not told her exactly where he was going when he left her parents' home in the little village of Bandol.
Immediately the four-engined plane bringing her from Marseille touched down a crowd of press photographers rushed the gang-plank. Josanne was swept protesting through the airport lounges by the crowd of pressmen and finally posed smiling by a black car which drove her into Paris. There has been no news of Brando since he left for Italy.
Before leaving, he declared: "I consider myself officially engaged to Josanne. I was in agreement with the Berenger family that the engagement should be announced."
He said he had engagements in Italy and would probably visit Florence. From there he would go to London, where he was due to start work on two films soon. In any case, he added, Josanne had to leave for New York during the week.
Josanne is expected to "tour" a New York place, in Paris, to return to her job as a governess to an American psychiatrist's children, and to await a reunion with Brando, who has been called one of Hollywood's most unpredictable as well as most brilliant actors.
CROP OF RUMOURS
Brando's unexpected departure yesterday after a four-day stay in this pretty Riviera resort led to a crop of rumours that he had broken off the engagement, announced only the day before.
But the couple are understood to have agreed that their wedding will not be held until after he has completed the London films.—Reuter.
She said she and Marlon had "no problems."
"I love him and he loves me," she said. "There is nothing else."

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300 'WOODEN WALLS' BUILT FOR THE NAVY

They are the new minesweepers

London, Oct. 31.
A new "wooden walls" fleet is being assembled round the coasts of Britain. It is the force of minesweepers which would be instantly needed on the outbreak of war, and which already have more than 300 ships.

New vessels worth millions of pounds have been given a short spell at sea, after which many have gone into reserve.

The Admiralty have paid more than £5,000,000 to one company at Stockport who built 260 engines for the wooden sweepers.

These ships are needed because of the great development of the mine.

ALLOY FRAMES

"The fishing fleets, which did such fine service before, could not handle the new types," said an Admiralty spokesman today.

Light alloy frames have been used for many of the naval sweepers. Others are entirely of wood.

In addition to the coastal and inshore minesweepers, more than 100 of which have gone to reserve, there are the big ocean sweepers. They number more than 80 with nearly two-thirds in reserve.

—(London Express Service).

Application Of Laws In Enclaves

New Delhi, Oct. 31.
The Indian Government has decided to apply immediately to the French settlements in India certain laws and decrees presently in force in India when the transfer of the territories to India comes into effect tomorrow, an official announcement said here tonight.

The laws and decrees in question are mainly concerned with monetary customs, exchange control and import-export questions.

Informed sources here considered these measures were to be taken to prevent smuggling and the sale of stocks—pledged up in Pondicherry—of certain goods subject to import controls, and bans in India.—France-Press.



United States should admit atomic casualties

New York, Oct. 31.
The United States could and must have "sense and maturity enough" to admit that injuries had occurred—if any occurred—as a result of future nuclear weapons tests, Dr James Arnold, Associate Professor at the Institute of Nuclear Studies, University of Chicago, said today in an article in the Bulletin of Atomic Scientists.

"The many denials of facts, the repeated wilful minimising of serious situations, the many efforts to shift the blame to others, which have occurred since March 1, made shameful reading to an American," Dr Arnold said. "It does not do to point out that some Japanese writers have exaggerated bomb effects, sometimes with evident malice. We are the ones who made the tests and responsible behaviour is required of us."

Summarising the effects of the Pacific tests last March, Dr Arnold said: "The direct damage to humans was confined to a rather small number but was very serious. The damage to the food supply which affected many more human beings cannot be dismissed, but was much less serious. The damage due to fall out (of radioactive dust from the explosion cloud) and rain over the whole globe as thus far reported, was probably not serious."

Alps Crash Was Accidental

Cuneo, Oct. 31.
A spokesman for the American mission inquiring into the crash of the United States C-47 transport plane in the Italian Alps told the press at Entracque today that the crash had been accidental.

Meanwhile, swirling snow, which laid a two-inch blanket over the wrecked plane, forced the military authorities to postpone until tomorrow the bringing down of the bodies of the victims from the disaster spot above Lake Carbone.

If conditions worsen, there is even the possibility that the bodies may be left until spring. The decision will be taken tomorrow.

A team of 60 Italian Alpine troops dragged the bodies of 21 victims from the wreckage, and with Italian police are keeping guard around the plane.

Investigation
A three-man investigating party who hope to climb to the scene of the disaster tomorrow, arrived at Entracque today.

They brought eight special containers for the bodies of the crew. Another thirteen will be parachuted to the spot, if weather conditions permit.

The spokesman said American officers were the first on the scene to recover messages which might be found aboard.

He added that no instruments had been recovered as they had all been smashed by the violent impact when the plane crashed. —France-Press.

Jap Urges More Trade With Aust.

Brisbane, Oct. 31.
Increased trade between Australia and Japan was in the best interests of both countries, the President of Japan Wool Spinners Association, Mr Hattajiro Yoshida, said today.

Mr Yoshida is leading a Japanese wool industry mission of seven to Australia and New Zealand.

He added: "Our mission is one of goodwill and we don't anticipate any animosity."

He said that the Japanese were very keen to have increased trade with Australia.

The mission, which includes four of Japan's biggest textile manufacturers, arrived in Sydney yesterday.

It is to attend the Brisbane Wool sales opening on Monday and will later return to Sydney.

The delegation will also visit Canberra and Melbourne during its fortnight's tour before going to New Zealand.—China Mail Special.

London, Oct. 31.
General Tong Hua, commander of Chinese Volunteers in Korea, has returned to China and his place taken by General Yang Teh Chih, the Communist New China news agency reported today.

The report, from Pyongyang, North Korea, quoted the headquarters of the Chinese People's Volunteers.

General Tong Hua's appointment as commander of the Chinese People's Volunteers in Korea was announced only on September 6.—Router.

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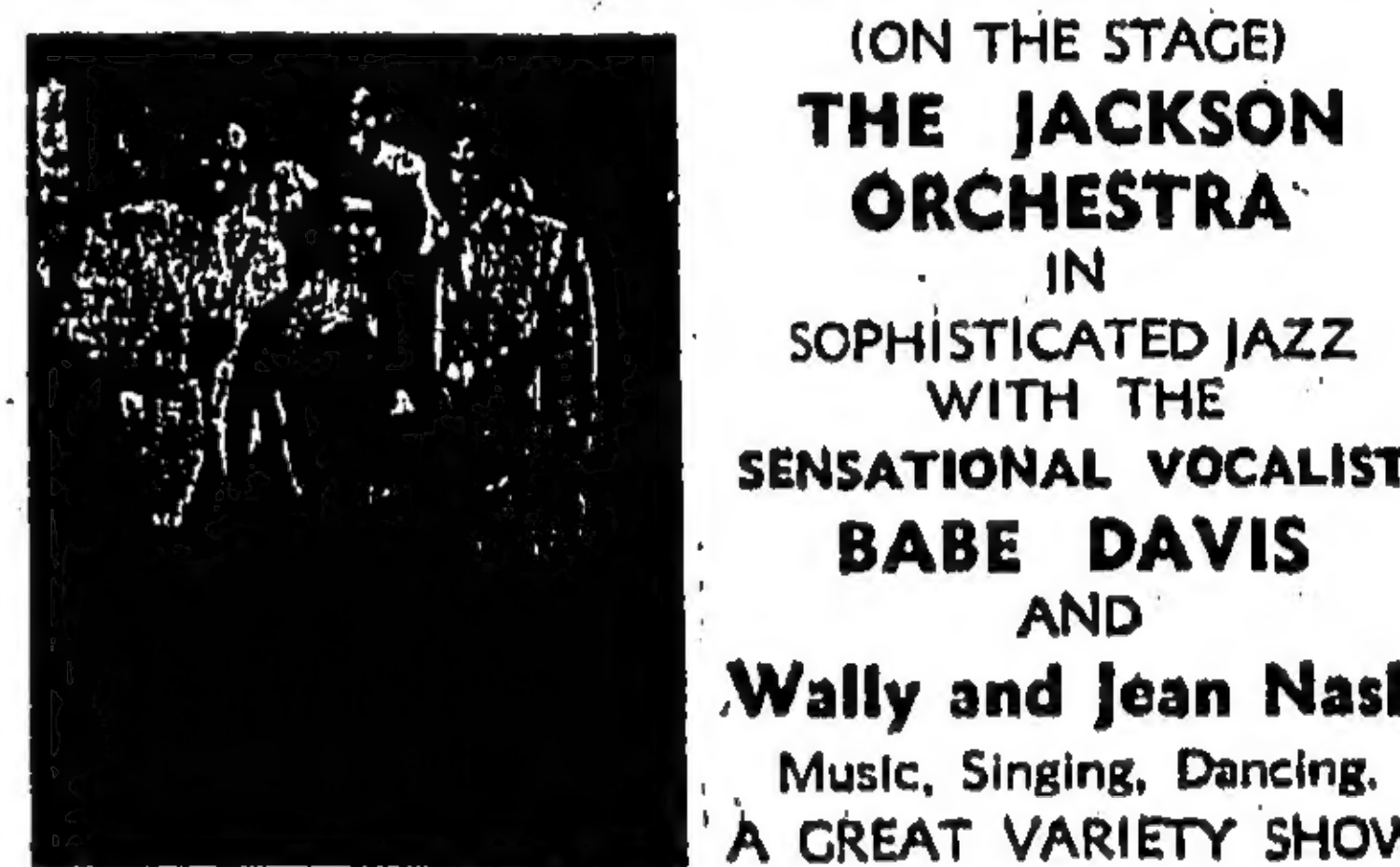
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REARMAMENT TREATIES

SPINSTERS OFF ON AIR JAUNT

Shoreham, Sussex, Oct. 31.
Two spinsters in their forties—one South African, the other English—leave here tomorrow morning in a small four-seater plane on a 10,800-mile trip to Nairobi.

The two women are Miss Betty Rowell, who is returning to her parents' home in H. M. M. Cape Province, and Miss Dorothy Allen, who plans to go to India to do missionary work. Their journey, expected to last two months, will take them across France, Spain, the Sahara desert, West African ports and over Mau Mau country to Nairobi, where they will part company.

51 AIRFIELDS
Their single-engine Avia plane will land at 51 airfields and will cover 2,000 miles of desert and another 2,500 miles of jungle.

Miss Rowell, formerly a Cape Town Meteorologist, has been on holiday in Britain for over a year. She passed her technical examination for a commercial pilot's licence and planned the trip in order to fulfil the number of flying hours he needs to qualify completely.

She and Miss Allen pooled their life savings to buy the plane. The Avia's two rear seats will be packed with spurs and iron rations to last eight days if they are forced down in the wilds. The plane has no radio but every airfield along the route has been notified of their expected arrival time. —China Mail Special.

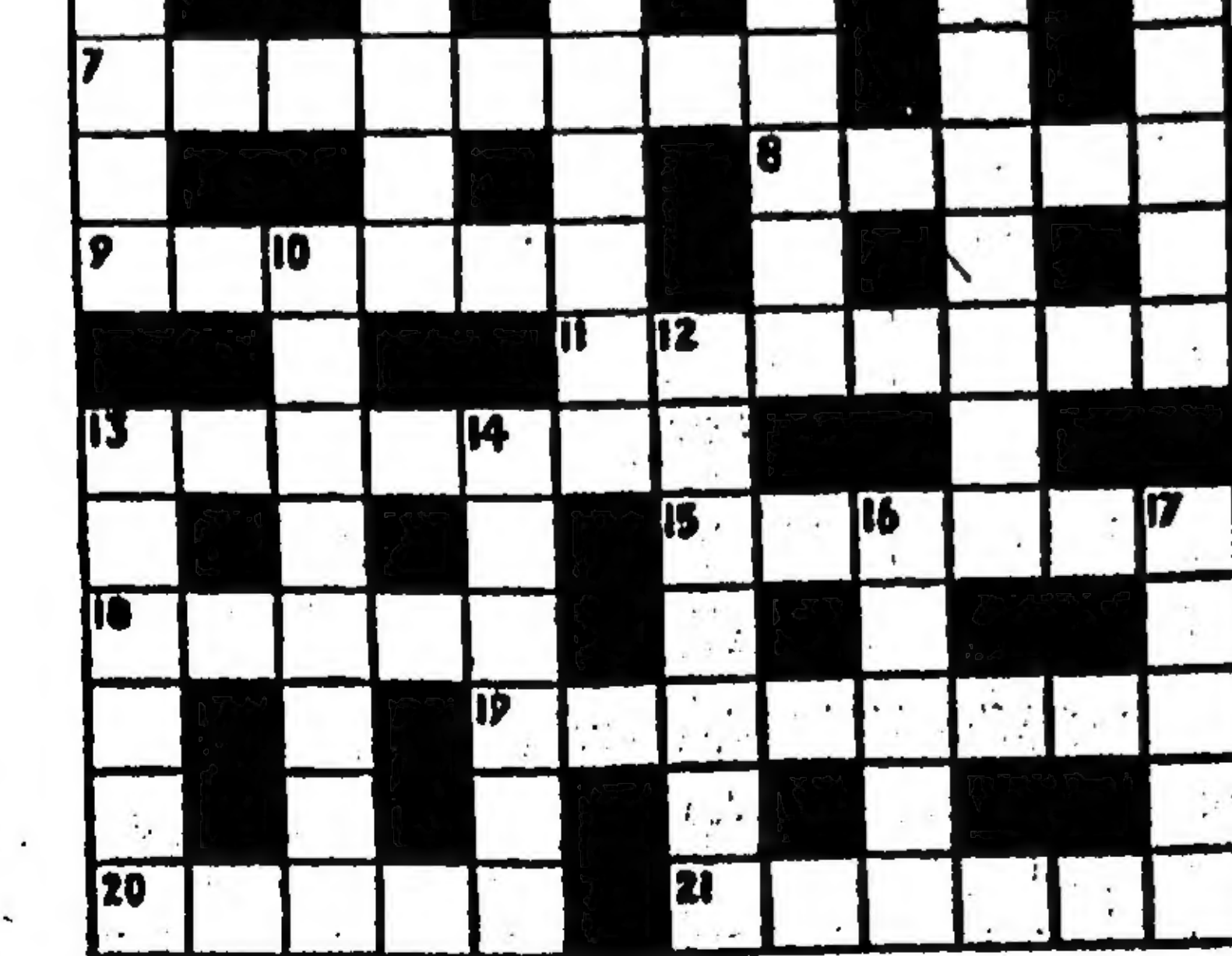
Cambridge, Oct. 31.
A conference with the Soviet Union will have greater chances of success after the ratification of the London agreements, Liberal member of Parliament Mr. Donald Wade declared here today.

Addressing The Liberal Club of Cambridge University, Mr. Wade said that Britain should now recognise that progress toward European unity should be made in the political and economic fields. —France-Press.

New Parlour Helps Calves To Avoid Indigestion
Narborough, Norfolk, Oct. 31.
A hundred young calves are being fed on powdered milk in a new type of feeding parlour on a farm at Narborough.

Calves, when they are a few days old, are placed in the parlour—built from tubular steel. Here they are fed through buckets equipped with teats. The buckets are adjustable for height and angle so that calves can feed as if from a cow.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
1 Noiseless (6).
4 Surpass (6).
7 Decreed (6).
8 Fool (5).
9 Struggle (6).
11 Put back (7).
13 Solicit votes (7).
15 Menace (6).
16 Outspoken (6).
18 Amazes (6).
20 Enchantress (6).
21 Swift (6).

DOWN
1 Clipped (5).
2 Freely (5).
3 Officers (7).
4 Circulates (6).
5 Feminine garment (8).
6 Small (6).
10 Unusual (6).
12 Landed property (7).
14 Thick ropes (6).
17 Reach (6).
19 Illustrious (6).
20 Savoury (6).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across—1 Lava, 4 Minister, 8 Brit, 9 Anna, 10 Narrate, 11 Snug, 12 Dare, 14 Sovereign, 17 Mude, 19 Spray, 22 Treason, 23 Less, 27 Lure, 28 Illud, 29 Neat, 30 Test, 31 Expired, 32 York. Down—1 Annals, 2 Abased, 3 Minus, 5 Images, 6 Spruce, 7 Bait, 12 Dots, 13 Ruck, 15 Navy, 16 Lays, 18 Riddle, 20 Myster, 21 Amash, 23 Mox, 24 Adits, 26 Nosed.

St Paul's Appeal

London, Oct. 31.
The Venerable O. H. Gibbs-Smith, Archdeacon of London, spoke today of the donations sent to the £400,000 fund for urgent repairs to St Paul's Cathedral.

Preaching in the Cathedral, he said one contribution of five shillings had been received for "London's bubble."

"We think this must be a new name for our famous dome," he said.

Another gift was accompanied by this note: "St Paul's is one of those rare places in which one feels perfectly at home."

The Archdeacon added: "An old age pensioner in Leicestershire sent half a crown in memory of a visit 20 years ago, adding: 'I shall never forget the beauty of it so long as I live.'"

He said that this year the Cathedral was celebrating the 1,350th anniversary of the founding of the diocese and the Cathedral in 604 A. D. by Saint Mellitus, the first Bishop.

"It would be a splendid thing if the commemoration year could secure the repair and renovation of the Cathedral and provide for the years ahead," he declared. —China Mail Special.

KANGAROO ATTACKS BOY

Melbourne, Oct. 31.
A 13-year-old boy was attacked and mauled by a six-foot kangaroo at the country centre of Nowa near here and had to receive hospital treatment for his wounds.

The lad, Max Webb, was walking home from school and was about to enter the gate leading to his father's farm.

The kangaroo appeared from some scrub and clamped him with its front legs. A younger brother ran for help and the kangaroo took flight and disappeared.

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Ratification Should Be Completed Early Next Year

ADENAUER FACES SOME TOUGH BARGAINING

London, Oct. 31.
All key parliaments should have ratified the German rearmament treaties, signed in Paris, early next year, Reuter despatches reported today.

But Dr Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor, faces some tough bargaining over the Franco-German agreement on the future of the Saar, which was negotiated with the treaties to rearm a free Germany within the Atlantic alliance.

The Saar agreement—a French condition for approval of German rearmament—is at present opposed by the Free Democrats, second largest party in Adenauer's coalition government, as well as by the Social Democratic opposition.

M. Pierre Mendes-France, the French Premier, aims at completing all stages of ratification by the National Assembly between November 3 and December 31. French observers say he will achieve this, barring an unexpected political bomb-throw.

SENATE SESSION
President Eisenhower will send the German rearmament pact to the special Senate session beginning on November 8 with the hope of action at the regular Senate session in January.

The British House of Commons will debate the Paris agreements next week. No vote is likely to be registered against them as they have been generally approved in all three political parties.

Italy—who will join West Germany and the Brussels Treaty Powers in the new Western European Union—and Canada plans to complete ratification early in the new year.

Swift action is also planned by Norway and Denmark. Belgium and Holland will await France's decision before completing ratification.

Reuters correspondents in the key capitals reported: Bonn—One of the first tasks facing Dr Adenauer—now in the United States—on his return to Bonn on Wednesday will be the time table for ratification of the Paris treaties.

Government lawyers have been studying whether anything in the treaties will make it necessary to introduce a constitutional amendment. They are also examining whether the accompanying Franco-German Saar agreement needs ratification.

Officials said, however, that whether or not that accord needs formal ratification, Dr Adenauer will put it before Parliament for a vote in order to demonstrate to France West Germany's good faith.

FIRST READING
The record will then go to the Bundestag (Upper House) for the first reading after which it is passed without a vote to the Bundestag (Lower House).

Parliamentary observers believe the Bundestag can reach the third and final reading by the beginning of December. The ratification instrument could then be ready for signature by President Theodore Heuss just before Christmas.

The defence and sovereignty treaties themselves assured an overwhelming majority in both Houses. The only doubtful point is the attitude to the Saar accord of the coalition partners of Dr Adenauer's Christian Democratic Union.

Dr Adenauer has some hard negotiation before him if he is to persuade the Free Democrats and the German Party to accept it. Herr August Martin Euler, Parliamentary Deputy Chairman of the Free Democrats, said last night his party's opposition to the Saar agreement was "final."

Paris—Unlike his predecessors, who kept the defence European Army Treaty in "cold storage" for many long months, M. Mendes-France plans swift action on the Paris treaties as soon as Parliament reassembles on November 3.

On that day the Premier will table the agreements for the ratification process. He will also present the treaties to the Assembly's Important Foreign Affairs Committee.

According to the Premier's time-table, examination of the treaties of the Committee stage should be sufficiently advanced by about December 10 for the National Assembly to fix the date for the start of the full-dress debate. M. Mendes-France should encounter no major difficulty in gaining Parliamentary approval.



Miss Jean Desforges, Britain's 25-year-old international long jumper and hurdler, was married at Emmanuel Church, Forest Gate, London, on October 23 to her childhood sweetheart, Ronald Pickering, a games master at Stratford Grammar School. Photo shows the couple leaving the church after the ceremony.—Reuterphoto.

Shah's Brother Still Missing

Teheran, Oct. 31.
The air and land search for Prince Ali Reza, missing brother and heir of the Shah of Persia, was today concentrated on the Mazandran jungle, on the Caspian coast.

Army authorities have distributed pamphlets appealing to local people to join in searching the jungle, where a villager has reported seeing a plane crash. They offer a big reward for information.

Prince Ali, 22, has not been seen since he left Gorgan on Wednesday night to fly 200 miles to Teheran for the Shah's birthday celebrations.

As the search went on under the Shah's personal supervision, the Queen Mother was reported to be prostrate with grief. Two doctors were attending her.

Officials said reports that wreckage of the Prince's plane had been found were baseless. Failure to find any clues to the plane's fate has led to speculation that a navigational error by the pilot might have carried it into Soviet territory. —Reuter.

Swiss Assault On Peak

Kathmandu, Oct. 31.
The Swiss expedition, led by the Swiss Alpine guide, M. Raymond Lambert, have begun an assault on a peak near Gauri Shankar, the 23,440-foot mountain they were prevented from scaling by bad weather, according to a letter from M. Lambert, reaching here today.

The letter, dated October 19, confirmed earlier reports that the attempt on Gauri Shankar had been abandoned and stated that the climbers were now assaulting a peak in the Bhote Kosi River area.

M. Lambert did not name the peak which his expedition are making for. But he reported that three camps had been set up, the third being at 8,900 metres (22,640 feet).

The Swiss expedition includes a petite French woman climber, Claude Kogan.

Other members of the Swiss expedition were said to be attempting the 26,760-foot Cho Oyu, the world's seventh highest mountain, which the Austrians conquered on October 19. —Reuter.

DUKE TO SELL ESTATE

Buxton, Derbyshire, Oct. 31.
The 11th Duke of Devonshire is to sell 3,400 acres in and around this North Midland spa to help pay the death duties on his father's estate.

The 10th Duke died four years ago, leaving an estate valued at £2,500,000. After £1,000,000 were paid in death duties, there was £1,500,000 left.

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Hurdler Married

America's Famous Englishman Now In Hongkong

By A United Press Hollywood Correspondent

Hollywood.
The most famous Englishman in the United States today is a bearded man besieged by autograph hounds and cooed over by movie stars—but he's slightly distressed by his fame.

Commander Edward Whitehead is the man the nation has been eyeing in those English gin-and-tonic (Schweppes) ads. Actually, the celebrity behind the whiskers is a top executive of the tonic company in London and was talked into being the only executive who models for his own ads in this country.

(Commander Whitehead arrived in Hongkong yesterday).

In the American way, U.S. citizens have adopted him and, he confessed, "I can't walk a block in many cities without being recognised." During his visit here Stewart Granger told him, "You're the best known Englishman in America." Gary Cooper said "You're better known than I am."

"I came to this country last year to arrange for the bottling here of our product," explained the 48-year-old Commander. "The advertising agency suggested I pose for the U.S. ads. I was emotionally against the idea of becoming a model to be shot at by all and sundry."

FINALLY AGREED
"I finally agreed to do one photograph, but it caused so much comment they persuaded me to carry on."

"Fortunately, nobody in England knows about this, oh, Lord, no!" he exclaimed. "I try to keep it dark. It isn't the sort of thing one boasts about there."

The Commander talks and looks as many Americans think Englishmen should. He sat at a table in his impeccable English white linen suit, pulling on a pipe, his beard neatly brushed, his gin-and-tonic at his side.

"Some people think I'm an actor hired for the ads," he went on. "Few knew I'm an executive of the company. It makes me feel a bit awkward."

Answering Dr. Graustein's charge that the elections had been rigged, Batista said he had always been "suspicious" of Grau's attitude, which he described as "more conspiratorial than political."

Mr. Batista said the elections will be held on Monday "under any circumstances" and in the only legal manner—that set forth by the electoral Supreme Court.

He charged Dr. Grau with refusal to co-operate in the establishment of political normalcy. He said Dr. Grau's new unacceptable demands led to the opposition candidates' withdrawal from the race.

Mr. Batista did not elaborate on these demands.—United Press.

ENCOURAGING MARRIAGES

Copenhagen, Oct. 31.
A Danish marriage bureau to encourage business arranged that 20 clients—ten men and ten women—should go on an evening trip from Copenhagen to Helsinki, in Sweden.

Tax-free drinks, chocolate and smokes added to the holiday feeling—and when the ship returned to harbour three "firm" engagements had already been made and others were expected.

The manager of the marriage bureau gets 100 kroner (25 for each engagement). —China Mail Special.

GUEST FROG

East London, Oct. 31.
A "guest" at an East London hotel has been living there for 18 years without paying a penny for board and lodging.

Known as Poppa to Mr Joe Barry, the proprietor, and the rest of the staff, he has never been seen by any of the other guests.

They would have to look very hard to try and see him even if they wanted to for Poppa is a bullfrog which lives in the cellar.

Just how long he has been there no one really knows, but Poppa was certainly there on the "guest list" in 1936.—China Mail Special.

CARAVAN INDUSTRY BOOMS IN THE U.S.

Hollywood, Oct. 31.
Millions of pounds are being invested in the United States in caravan parks. More than 2,000,000 people live in caravans throughout the country, according to the Mobile Home Manufacturers' Association in Chicago. Latest investors are Hollywood film stars Bing Crosby, Jack Benny, Humphrey Bogart, Jose Ferrer and Barbara Stanwyck.

"They have formed a company to open up one of the most luxurious caravan parks on the Pacific coast."

The site, of 31 acres, will cost more than £250,000.

The Association estimates that there are now 11,000 caravan parks in the U.S.A. and the business is expanding rapidly.

The industry now has a gross turnover of about £250 million a year.

A survey shows that caravanists who "pull" their own units are more numerous than those who "hook up" to a central service.

Most of them stay several days. A fair percentage park there for months at a time, some permanently.

Most of the parks have restaurants, recreational facilities, and complete shopping centres.

FULLY FURNISHED
Some of the most luxurious private caravan parks are in California. One in California has 7,000 units and 1,000 in 1954.

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What Is The Secret Of Eden's Strength?

By JAMES WICKENDEN

London. IN an age of dictatorial bluster and threats of atomic liquidation, Sir Anthony Eden has carried through a calm, increasingly successful revolution in international diplomacy. He has revived the belief that nations can settle differences by reasonable negotiation.

The charm he combines with success has always irritated men of violence. Mussolini banned the hat named after him. Eden presents a finished front to the world that some fail to see his real strength.

In fact he has much in common with Sir Winston Churchill particularly an unfailing judgment of human nature and belief that most men desire to live up to honourable standards.

In negotiation abroad or debate in the House of Commons, 54-year-old Eden shows this belief. He calls in clear, firm tones upon his opponents' sense of justice to see the problem in a fair and prudent light. There is a hint of appeal in his voice at times, but never of weakness, and he can be angry.

His Timing

Eden's judgment is mainly one of timing. He does not believe in trying to do something when the time is not ripe. In his only personal political crisis when the Government intended to begin the Anglo-Italian conversations in 1938 he resigned because he believed the moment inappropriate.

The ability to keep a balanced mind amidst the onrush of contemporary events may partly come from his study of Oriental languages. He took a First Class degree in the subject at Oxford and, through that, may have discovered the Eastern art of composure. But his rational approach to problems is European.

Eden becomes more successful every year. The latest achievements towards peace—the Geneva settlement for Indo-China, the London Agreement for Western defence and the Trieste settlement—are but the climax to his long career of steady work at the world's biggest conferences.

He has unrivalled experience in global diplomacy. It began in 1926 when he was made a Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Foreign Secretary. From then on his rise was meteoric.

as at each succeeding international conference he displayed an undeviating skill in negotiation. Typical of his insight was when he relieved a tense session of the League of Nations by presenting Britain's case, then walking out to play golf.

In 1935 he became Foreign Secretary. There came one year in the wilderness following his dramatic resignation from the Chamberlain Government in 1938. With Churchill at the helm, Eden went back to his rightful job in the Foreign Office.

During the war years he re-organised the method of Foreign Office recruitment. Salaries were raised so that ability rather than private income became the test of entry.

His Realism

Eden's sense of realism in the postwar chaos was revealed in a powerful speech in 1951. The cardinal issue, he made clear, and the one on which he intended to concentrate all his persuasive force, was the "forbidding chasm" separating East from West. He has worked hard to close the gap.

Key events, before his recent successes, have been his chairmanship of OEEC, the first meetings of NATO, the invitation to London of Tito, the Korean truce, the Persian oil settlement and the Suez agreement.

Eden's stock in Britain has always been steady and high. His ebullient attitude, unusual among politicians, has been an attraction not least with the

women voters. When he began to show skill as well, his prestige was secured.

But many feared he would never be fit enough to succeed Churchill. At the end of March last, after months of day and night "cold war" battles, he broke down with chronic inflammation of the gall bladder and jaundice.

His recovery was slow but complete. Indeed, today he appears to be fitter than he has ever been.

His Future

Next to Churchill, Eden is undoubtedly the most vigorous and popular of statesmen in Britain.

His latest honour of investiture by the Queen with the highest order of chivalry—the Order of the Garter—an approved everywhere. Britain believes that Eden's greatest years have yet to come.

NOTE:—The Order of the Garter is conferred by the Crown purely at the Sovereign's pleasure and without ministerial advice. The Order is limited to 24 Knights who have status and medieval banners in the Chapel of Windsor Castle, seat of British royalty for more than 1,000 years. The Order was founded in the 14th century and superseded the older order of the Round Table, famed in the legendary tales of King Arthur and his Knights. It is an honour rarely accorded to commoners. The last recipient was Churchill himself.

The English Are So Cold At Courting!

By ANNE SHARPLEY

HOW much do you remember about your courtship? Do you remember where you proposed to your wife, what she was wearing, what you said, what she said?

You probably do not, according to a book called *The History of Courting*, just published.

By R. S. Turner (Michael Joseph, 15s.)

"Many of an older generation are convinced that the art of courting has been extinct these last 50 years. There is nothing, they say, except sex talk and casual furtive intimacies. No one can turn a compliment any more.

"Possibly the telephone, the car and the cinema have made love-making a shade too easy," explains the author.

Englishmen, it seems, have little to boast of in their methods of courting.

"On the Continent the reputation of Englishmen as lovers was far from high," he writes talking of the 18th century.

"They were regarded as stiff and gauche. Sir Isaac Newton was said to have plucked his pipe absent-mindedly with his lady's finger."

THE TABOOS

There was, however, an intriguing phase of English love-making when the young women of Nottingham complained at being serenaded so much by "riotous lovers infesting the streets with violins and bass violins, from midnight to four in the morning." It was later happily agreed that this was an Italian prerogative and the serenading stopped.

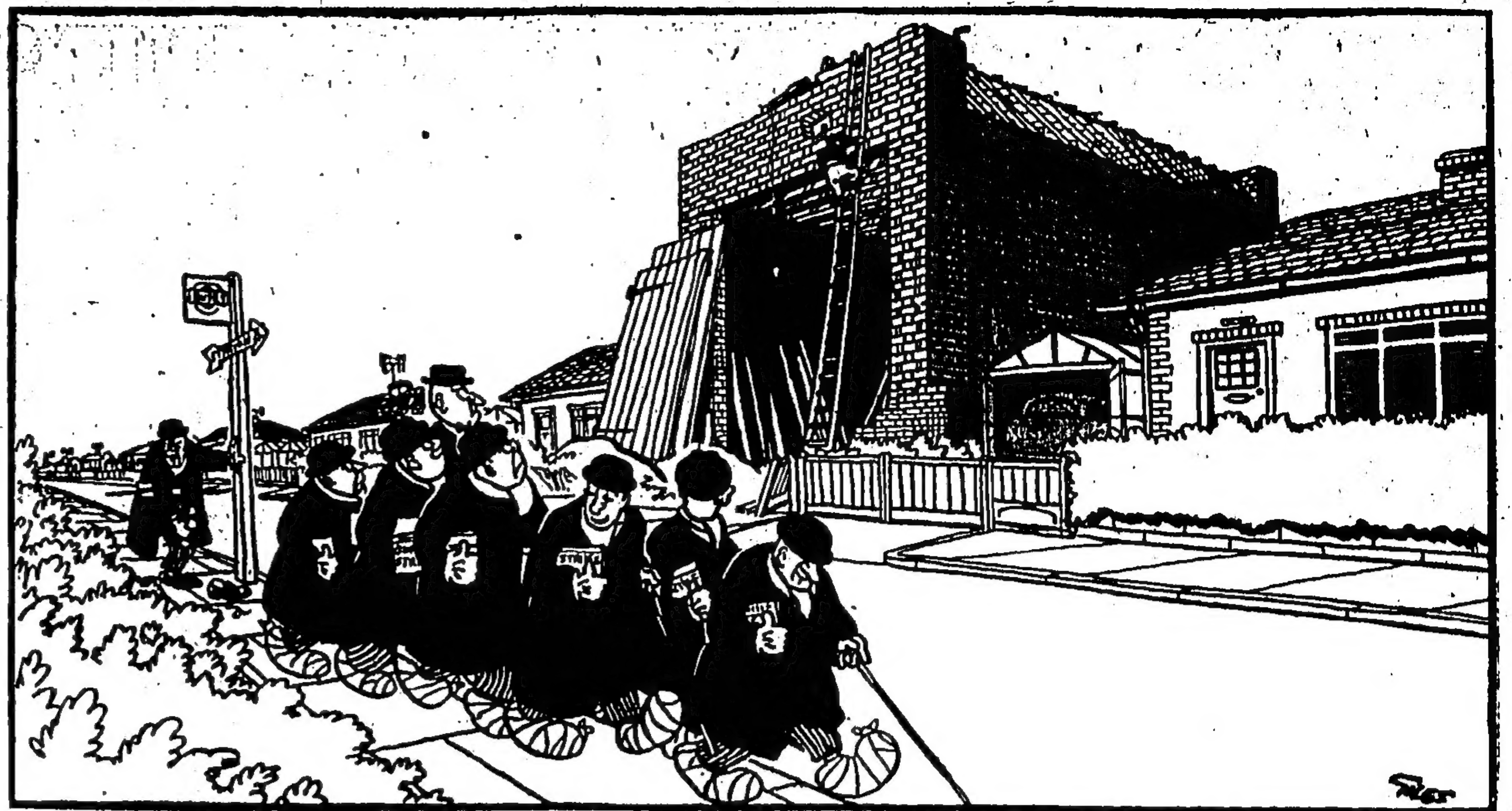
Although early in history Englishmen showed signs of the stagnation in courtship which was to overtake them in the 20th century, the Prince Regent set a good example to the 19th century by slapping himself (albeit cautiously) to persuade Mrs Fitzherbert to marry him.

Undoubtedly the heyday of courtship was the late Victorian time. A girl, protected by the taboos of the time and provided she was not pushed into marriage by her parents, could sit back and be wooed with such sentiments as: "If I can merit you by a love so chaste and illimitable as ever made the breast of man I flatter myself, you are mine already."

MOST UNROMANTIC

In a matter of 30 years or so "proposals of marriage reduced themselves to phrases like 'Well, what about it?' or 'Why don't we get married, anyway?' spoken often in the most unromantic surroundings and at most inopportune times."

So much so that, at the end of the book, the author asks the question: "What's wrong with courting?" and he quotes the view that "Courting needs a new code of manners, a new fastidiousness. Social intercourse between the sexes should be as unselfish, as it once was by grace, courtesy, fascination and wit."



At Last: The Truth About the Peoples of Soviet Central Asia

COMMUNIST WIPING OUT THE MUSLIMS

By SAYED EL-HASHIMI

MOST people in the West think of "Russia" as a vast, sprawling territory of farm land and rolling steppes, inhabited by a people who are little understood, and who seem to understand others still less. The average Middle Easterner knows a little more; he remembers the glories of Islamic Bokhara and Samarkand, and wonders sometimes how the Muslims under Soviet rule are faring.

I have just been reading an article by a British authority in an important Western journal. In it he makes a point which seems to be of the greatest importance to all thinking Muslims. Imperialism, he says, is hated in the Islamic world, and regarded as the monopoly of nations with overseas empires. What, however, about the millions of Muslims under Soviet rule? Do the Muslims not care about their fate?

The answer, I think, is that two generations of us have grown up without adequate knowledge of what has happened, and what is actually taking place, in the Central Asian republics of Russia. Yet, industrially and

in agriculture, Soviet Asia is now the most important part of the entire country. In these Muslim lands are concentrated the bulk of the USSR's oil, vast tracts of food-producing territory, hundreds of vital factories—and 15,000,000 Muslims at least.

Russia was ruled by Muslims of the Golden Horde for nearly three hundred years. Since the third century of the *Herjira*, unceasing war has been the rule between Islam and Muscovy, though Islam held out for close on a thousand years. The taking of Kazan and Astrakhan by Ivan the Terrible some 400 years ago in his crusade against Islam was the turning point.

STRUGGLE

INTRIGUE, aggression and penetration continued throughout the Tzarist era against the Central Asians and the Turks, bringing into prominence such leaders as the great Shamil, who held the Caucasus for Islam.

Of Hashemite descent, Sayed El-Hashimi is a well-known writer on Islamic affairs. He is a regular contributor to Arabic journals, as well as leading magazines in Western Europe. This is the first of three articles which he is writing for the China Mail.

The Bolshevik Revolution at first gave the Muslims a hope of national and religious independence; but when Communism's real motives of conquest and tyranny became clear, the Muslim banner was again raised in war, and some of the worst battles of the Revolution were fought on Muslim soil. By 1921 the Bokharan Emir Alam Khan had fled to Afghanistan, Enver Pasha's pan-Islamic movement had been crushed, and only the Bazmachi—guerrilla fighters—were left to carry on the struggle against their religious and national enemies.

For over 30 years the Bazmachi movement has

continued to oppose atheistic propaganda, the confiscation of farmers' land, forced labour and the insidious destruction of national life.

During the 1920's, it seemed at first that Communism would make a common front with Islam. The hopes of the Central Asians were high, and they were reinforced by exile from the Indian political struggle. A Communist declaration from Moscow in those days put it thus: "All you toiling Muslims whose mosques were destroyed, build up your faith and customs, and enter freely into national life."

SLAUGHTER

COMING out of hiding, three hundred Muslim resistors were fanned and feted by the Bokharan Communists. Promised by the traitor Ibrahimov that Islam would have its rightful place in Central Asia, they were collected in the forecourt of the Friday Mosque of Bokhara, where Ibrahimov's machine-guns mowed them down.

After this final experience, Islam in Central Asia knew where it stood.

The methods used to break the unity and spirit of the Muslim Turkic peoples by the Soviets were ingenious in the extreme. Actions by the Communists experts called in to control the five Central Asian republics were made to appear logical from the Communist or Islamic viewpoints—or both. The following are classical examples of how cunning man can be.

STARVATION

RELIGIOUS teachers were encouraged to promote pan-Islamic propaganda in surrounding countries, inviting the Turks, Afghans and Persians to rise and join the Central Asian Muslims in a new life. When it was found that Muslims still placed their own community's interests before those of the Russians, this policy was dropped until the outbreak of the Second World War, when it was employed as device to stiffen Muslim troops of the Soviet Army.

The carefully evolved and vital system of irrigation canals in Central Asia was destroyed by the simple expedient of ignoring the maintenance work which alone enabled the fields to obtain enough water. This meant starvation and the diversion of local feeling from

nationalism to the basic search for food. Sixteen million Western Russians were imported and planted on the land of Muslim Asia during the period 1922-1939, forming an effective wedge against Islamic solidarity, and providing a network of agents and informers at every level of society.

Even Soviet statistics themselves bear witness to the systematic destruction of Muslim peoples in the USSR. According to Russian figures, between 1928 and 1939 the Kazakh population was reduced by over one-fifth, when its normal rate of increase should have been over one-sixth. Therefore, in these 13 years alone, one Kazakh in three died—and we may be assured that they did not die from natural causes.

Among the Muslim stock-raising population, one man in three and three animals in four died as a result of forced attempts by the Communists to take over the herds—and this during the period of the Second Five-Year Plan alone. I have been quoting only actual facts and figures. People who regularly escape across the frontiers into free Muslim lands tell the most harrowing tales of whole communities wiped out for failing to reach production targets set by the Russians; of mass deportations to Siberia; of starvation and forced labour. If you are late for work at the collective farm, for example, this is classed as "sabotage," and is punishable by imprisonment for life.

SUSPICION

NINETY-TWO percent of the yield of any field goes to the Government; the remaining eight percent may be used by the people of the collective farm. The ration of the worker, according to the official scale, is 20 kilograms of rice per year. A skilled worker may earn £40 or more a month. Good pay? Perhaps not, when this is exactly the price of a pair of shoes.

The people of Central Asia today go about their work in fear. If a father teaches his son to pray, he lives for years afterwards in the fear that the child may innocently reveal this fact, casting suspicion and worse upon the entire family.

Of the three generations which exist side by side today in Muslim Central Asia, each one has been most cleverly cut off from intellectual contact with the other. The oldest generation reads and writes only in Arabic script. In the 1920's this was abolished, and the Latin alphabet made compulsory. Since the 1930's, Russian letters alone have been used.

What are the hopes for Islam in Central Asia? It is hard to answer them. With the gross, red and army all controlled by Moscow, with the lessons of showings, hangings and deportations still fresh in their minds, the Turkic peoples merely keep their own counsel and wait.

Wait for what? Their only real hope lies in the strength of Muslim sympathy for them. Islam is notoriously sensitive to outside impacts. If the 400 million people were to take an active interest in their enslaved co-religionists of Central Asia, there is a chance that their lot might be improved.

THE ART OF PASSING OUT FASCINATES THE DOCTORS

By LES ARMOUR

THE art of becoming canned, plastered, stewed, bloated, capricious, squiffed, potted, pickled and plain dead blind drunk is one of immense fascination to mankind.

Appropriately, therefore, the World Health Organisation has lately been turning its attention to the matter. And its conclusions, if not illuminating, are at least fascinating.

NO BLACKOUTS

They note, for instance, that the alcoholic blackouts common in Britain and Nordic countries are almost unknown in predominantly wine and beer drinking countries.

Mr Leslie McLeod, who is employed at the Burden Neurological Institute, Bristol, says that "habitual drinkers of 'hard stuff' often go blotter after a relatively small amount of alcohol consumed quickly."

And Dr Henri Ducherne, a Paris expert, says that getting blind swizzled is so uncommon in France that his countrymen don't even have a word for it.

But he does concede that the wine-swilling Frenchman eventually gets to the point where he is "quite unable to stop drinking."

Here, then, we have two delightful pictures:

The Englishman and the Swede, feet on the bar rail, staring glumly at the wall, tossing back whisky and schnapps until they eventually slip quietly to the floor in a state of blind oblivion; and the Frenchman gaily slipping himself into a permanent state of vinous contentment.

The Englishman and the Swede, fired by their terrible hangovers, go forth and in consumers of "hard stuff" often go blotter after a relatively small amount of alcohol consumed quickly.

The Frenchman, ever not caring a bit, playfully topples governments, acquires a sex life, and builds pavement cafes.

On proper occasion the spirit drinker dynamites himself out of the horrid world for a while with large quantities of strong drink. The wine drinker, on the other hand, has a chance to find out just how horrid the world is.

GOLDEN MEAN

The one breeds Progress, other Contentedness.

The answer is plain. The World Health Organisation should communicate its findings immediately to Unesco, which can begin to spread hangovers in France and rose-coloured glows in England—achieving what Aristotle called the Golden Mean. As for the wine drinker, let

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JAPANESE UNIONISTS IN RUSSIA

Moscow, Oct. 31.

A Japanese trade union dele-

gation, in the Soviet Union

after visiting China, is now in

Leningrad, the Soviet news

agency, Tass, said today.

At a luncheon given to the

delegates in the Leningrad Re-

gional Trade Union Council, Mr

Nikolai Pshenitsyn, Chairman

of the Council, said that he was

confident the visit would help to

strengthen the friendly relations

between the peoples of the

Soviet Union and Japan.

In reply, Mr. Sigeoaki Aizawa,

Vice-President of the General

Council of Japanese Trade

Unions and leader of the dele-

gation, said "we are very glad to

be in Leningrad, the cradle of

the proletarian revolution.

"I want our visit to be a

strong handshake between the

working class of Japan and the

Soviet Union. We consider it

our task to strengthen the unity

of the workers of the East and

of all Asia."—Reuter.

New York, Oct. 31.

The New York Times today

urged support of an Australian

proposal to admit Cambodia and

Laos to the United Nations.

It commented: "This proposal

is designed to strengthen young

and weak governments at a time

when they need to muster all

their strength for the perilous

days that lie ahead."—United

Press.

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H. M. G. FORSGATE,

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Modern Science—Our Magic Carpet

Scientists Will Probe Into Man's 7,000-year Old Secrets

By JOE JONES

Of all the subjects into which present-day scientists are delving, perhaps the most fascinating is Man himself—his partly-known early beginnings, his evolution to his present status, and his highly speculative future.

The past of Man 7,000 years ago in the world's oldest village, site of the dawn of civilisation in the Middle East, is going to be studied next winter by a unique scientific team.

Professor Robert J. Braidwood of the University of Chicago, Oriental Institute, director of the expedition, has announced that specialists in many branches of natural science will join the group in its visit to Jarmo, in Iraq.

It was in this area that man first turned from food-gathering and cave-dwelling to agriculture and life in a settled village farming community. This study is expected to add to the already accumulated mass of knowledge about the evolution and development of primitive men.

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The "carefree watch," which will never require servicing of any kind, is being developed both by scientists in private industry and by United States Government bodies, including the Navy's Bureau of Ships and U.S. Bureau of Standards.

The watch researchers are faced with the problem of evolving watch bearings that will permit the tiny moving parts to rotate smoothly, freely and without oil. They have already discovered a synthetic powder which is an important step toward their goal.

"BUTTER ICE BOAT"

The "Butter Ice Boat," made of durable Styron (Dow polystyrene) plastic, is said to be ideal for both indoor

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